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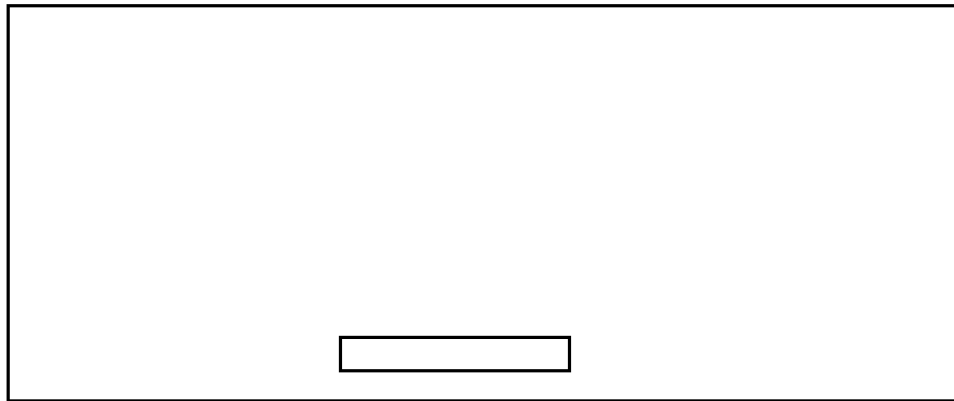
MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Support of Paramilitary Activities

1. At the request of Mr. [REDACTED], CA Staff, the following information was passed on to him this date. This information was to be part of a report prepared by the CA Staff on the cost of Agency paramilitary activities. This report, signed by Mr. Bissell, is to be forwarded to General Taylor through General Lansdale's office.

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2. Mr. [REDACTED] was asked to coordinate that portion of his report pertaining to the Office of Logistics with the Office of Logistics prior to forwarding it to General Lansdale's office.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Report on Meeting Between TSD and OL to Discuss Maintenance of Stocks of TSD Paramilitary-Type Special Devices (Including but not Limited to [redacted])

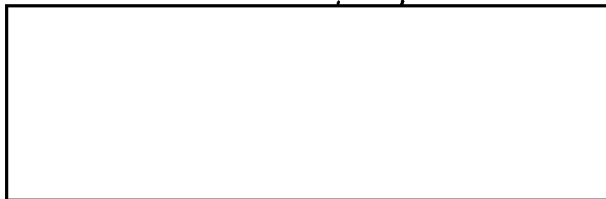
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REF : Memorandum for C/TSD/PTS/Plans from C/TSD/PTS/SD, subject: [redacted] - Recommendations for OL/Plans and Peculiar Items Panel Consideration", dated 6 October 1961

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1. At the request of Mr. [redacted], TSD/PTS/Plans, a meeting was held at 1400 hours, 16 November 1961, in Room 2126 Quarters Eye, between representatives from TSD, OL/PS and OL/SD, to discuss the various problems that have been encountered in connection with the maintenance of stocks of TSD paramilitary-type special devices. The following persons attended the meeting and participated in the discussion:

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2. Mr. [redacted] explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the requirements for establishing reasonable shelf-life estimates for all special devices, identifying and disposing of over-age items, and developing a program for replenishment of stock.

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3. The ensuing discussion resulted in a mutual understanding of the current problems and an appreciation of the urgency of the requirements. In summary, the specific problems relating to the requirements are:

a. All stocks, both old and new, relocated from Agency and Military Depots to [redacted], were co-mingled with the result that it is now impossible to segregate this materiel according to date of manufacture. This situation is true with respect to all ordnance materiel as well as the TSD special devices. (Mr. [redacted] indicated that within the past year, all new TSD

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materiel received at [redacted] is being stored in separate lots and properly identified according to date of manufacture.) Because of this unknown factor, it is now impossible to apply the estimated shelf-life principle in determining which items are to be considered appropriate for rehabilitation or disposal.

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b. Because of the peculiar nature of TSD special devices in general, the Military Standard Inspection Procedures are not appropriate for use in testing this materiel. Some time ago, SIP's for the [redacted] items were developed and distributed for use in the surveillance program; however, the instances of considerable variance in the test results prove that these hastily drawn SIP's are not satisfactory. It is imperative that proper SIP's be developed for all TSD special devices based on the specifications and drawings used in the manufacture of the items.

c. The initiation of a replenishment program for TSD special devices is contingent upon (1) determination of the condition of present stocks, and (2) establishment of new stock levels based on anticipated requirements for the items.

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4. The problems outlined in paragraph 3. a. and b. above can be resolved only through the concerted efforts of qualified manpower to (a) develop the required SIP's and (b) conduct extensive tests on the considerable quantities of materiel now in stock. TSD and OL/SD agreed some time ago to the use of the facilities at the TSD laboratory at [redacted] for conducting the research and performing the tests in-

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cident to development of SIP's. This arrangement is most desirable because of the invaluable assistance afforded by the TSD engineers who are familiar with the items. About two weeks ago, the first increment of four each special devices were shipped from [redacted] to the [redacted] Laboratory for use in preparing the SIP's; however, nothing has been done as yet because both TSD and OL/SD personnel have been fully occupied with current operations.

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a. Neither TSD nor OL/SD/ORB has personnel available for this job, and for this reason it was agreed that a coordinated staff study would be developed with the view toward obtaining the necessary qualified personnel so that the Agency may properly fulfill its responsibility of maintaining the required balances of Condition 1 materiel.

b. As soon as the condition of our present stocks are determined, and after new stock levels have been established, action will be taken to initiate a replenishment program for the consolidated requirements for TSD paramilitary-type special devices.

5. The TSD representatives were given a copy of a [redacted]

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Status Report, completed on 15 November 1961, which they will use in their current effort in revising the Project listing. In addition, Miss [REDACTED] agreed to research all items now positioned for this Project and determine, if possible, the approximate date of manufacture of each line item. It is believed that this can be accomplished through use of records in OL/SD and OL/PD. TSD representatives indicated they would take no action to determine the status of other special devices (those not included in [REDACTED]) until the results of the OL/PS effort is completed.

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6. In connection with disposal of over-age stocks, it was agreed that consideration should be given toward changing our position about releasing [REDACTED] materiel to the Military for training purposes. Instead of requiring reimbursement for items used in training, consideration should be given to devising a procedure whereby over-age materiel would be delivered, at no cost except for transportation and handling, for use in scheduled training programs.

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